REMARKS

I. Introduction

At the time of the Office Action dated October 7, 2008, claims 2-10, 12, and 13 were pending in this application. Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's allowance of claims 3-9 and 13. Claims 2, 10, and 12 stand rejected.

In this Amendment, claims 2, 10, and 12 have been canceled, without prejudice, reserving right to prosecution in a continuation application. Care has been exercised to avoid the introduction of new matter. The present Amendment does not generate any new matter or any new issue for that matter. Accordingly, entry of the present Amendment is solicited pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

Claims 3-9 and 13 are now active in this application, of which claims 3 and 13 are independent.

II. The Rejection of Claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 2, 10, and 12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Denney et al. in view of Momona et al. (See paragraphs 3-6 of the Office Action). This rejection has been rendered moot by the cancellation of claims 2, 10, and 12. Applicants, respectfully solicit withdrawal of the rejection of the claims.

III. Conclusion

In view of the above remarks, Applicants submit that this application should be allowed and the case passed to issue. If there are any questions regarding this Amendment or the

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application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated to expedite the

prosecution of the application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is

hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to

such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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